

IN THE ABSTRACT:

For the purpose of providing a A beam hardening post-processing method that can improve the accuracy of channel-by-channel correction on a BH effect easily and yet taking a non-linear effect into account, phantoms of different diameters are disposed at a position offset from an imaging center to acquire projection information having a transmission length of an X-ray beam varying from view to view (~~Step S501~~), hence, acquire projection information having a projection information value varying from view to view, for each channel, correction factors are determined (~~Step S506~~), and a corrective function containing even a non-linear effect is determined by higher-order function fitting from the correction factors (~~Step S508~~); and therefore, correction with high accuracy can be achieved in the channel-by-channel correction on the projection information values conducted after BH correction, and moreover, correction with high accuracy can be achieved using a smaller amount of phantom projection information, thus reducing the time for calibration work.